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For: SELECTIVELY COLD WORKED HYDRAULIC
MOTOR/PUMP SHOE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

April 30, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2003, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to May 10, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method of manufacturing a wear resistant shoe, comprising:
cold-heading one end portion of a generally cylindrical blank to radially increase and axially diminish the dimensions of the one end portion, and to work harden the one end portion while leaving an opposite end portion dimensionally unchanged and maintaining cold-workability of the opposite end portion;